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Chenoli Mills, Kunhimanaglam

* 3068 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received the letters, dated 30th March, 7th May, 6th June and 1st August 1955, from the Chenoli Mills' Thozhilala Union, Kunhimangalam, Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar, requesting to put the favour dispute between the Union and the management of the Chenoli Mills regarding the question of bonus for the years 1952, 1953 and 1954 for adjudication and if so, the action taken thereon; and

(*b*) whether the Government have received any conciliation report on this subject from the Labour Officer, Kozhikode?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) Yes, Sir. The Government have referred the dispute for adjudication.

(*b*) Yes, Sir.

SRI S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI: Have they referred the dispute relating to the year 1952–53 also for adjudication?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Yes, Sir. The question related to bonus for the years 1952, 1953 and 1954. I have answered that the Government have referred the disputes for adjudication.

Pension to the retiring M.L.As.

* 3069 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal before the Government for granting pension to the retiring Members of the Legislative Assembly; and

(*b*) if so, when a decision will be taken in the matter?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN: Since the salary now being given to the Members is itself in the nature of a pension, may I request the Government to consider the question of increasing the salary instead of caring for the retiring M.L.As.?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: I do not think that it will be a very popular proposal. Anyhow, if the hon. Members are very keen about it, they may have a non-official resolution tabled and we may have a discussion over that.

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN: We were told by the previous Speaker at the time of his relinquishment of office that he had submitted a proposal to the Government about giving pension to retiring M.L.As. Will the present Speaker pursue the matter further?

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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: It is always easy for retiring persons to make very useful suggestions, but I am sure that it will be very difficult for the present Speaker to pursue that suggestion.

Music teachers in educational institutions

* 3070 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Government have decided to appoint full-time music teachers in the educational institutions in the State?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No, Sir.

SRI K. P. GOPALAN : On a former occasion, the Hon. the Finance Minister said that he would consider this question very sympathetically. So, will the Government be pleased to consider this question?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Even now full-time music teachers are being employed in schools if there is sufficient work for these teachers.

Brooke Bond India, Limited, Madurai

* 3071 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a representation, dated 31st August 1955, has been received by the Government from the staff of Brook Bond, India, Limited, Madurai, regarding the discrepancies in the matter of sick leave to the staff; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Taxation Enquiry Commission

* 3072 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri M. Kalyanasundaram) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any memorandum was submitted on behalf of the State Government to the Taxation Enquiry Commission in 1953 or 1954; and

(*b*) if so, whether a copy of it will be placed on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Yes. Memoranda were submitted to the Taxation Enquiry Commission in 1953 and 1954.

(*b*) These memoranda were compiled into a single volume for official use and a few copies of this volume are available in the Legislature Library for perusal.